

OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT

Moonlight Fire Area Invasive Plant Treatment Project

Plumas National Forest

Mt. Hough Ranger District

The Forest Service is seeking comments on the Moonlight Fire Area Invasive Plant Treatment Project. The project would treat priority invasive plant infestations in the watersheds burned by the 2007 Moonlight Fire, using a combination of manual, mechanical, cultural, and chemical methods. The use of chemical herbicide treatments would not exceed 250 acres annually. Invasive plants proposed for treatment include jointed goatgrass, spotted knapweed, yellow starthistle, Canada thistle, Scotch broom, dyer's woad, and medusahead. The project is located approximately 15 to 27 air miles northeast of Quincy, California in Plumas County. The project area occurs in all or portions of the following township, ranges, and sections occur within the project area T26 North, R10 East, Sections: 1, 2, 3, 4, 10-15, 22-25; T26 North, R11 East, Sections: 1-10, 12, 15-21, 29, 30, 31; T26 North, R12 East, Sections: 1-23, 26-34; T26 North, R13 East, Sections: 2-11, 15, 17; T27 North, R09 East, Sections 24, 25; T27 North, R10 East, Sections: 1-5, 8-36; T27 North, R11 East, Sections: 1-36; T27 North, R12 East, Sections: 1-36; T27 North, R13 East, Sections: 2-11, 14-17, 19-23, 26-35; T28 North, R10 East, Sections: 13, 14, 23-27, 33-36; T28 North, R11 East, Sections: 1-5, 7-36; T28 North, R12 East, Sections: 5-9, 13-36; and T28 North, R13 East, Sections: 19, 28-34, (Mount Diablo Base Meridian).

The Environmental Assessment is available for review at the Mount Hough Ranger District, 39696 State Highway 70, Quincy, California, 95971; or, on-line at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/plumas/landmanagement/projects> and scroll down to Moonlight Fire Area Invasive Plant Treatment Project.

This project is subject to comment pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Only those who submit timely project-specific written comments during a public comment period are eligible to file an objection. Individuals or representatives of an entity submitting comments must sign the comments or verify identity upon request.

The Forest Service will accept comments on this proposal for 30 days following publication of the opportunity to comment legal notice which is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period. Commenters should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. It is the commenter's responsibility to ensure timely receipt of comments (36 CFR 218.25).

Comments must be submitted to the Responsible Official, Micki Smith, District Ranger, c/o John Slown, Project Leader, Mount Hough Ranger District, 39696 State Highway 70, Quincy, California, 95971; delivered to the address shown above during business hours (M-F 8:00am to 4:30pm); or submitted by FAX (530) 283-1821. Electronic comments, in common (.doc, .pdf, .rtf, .txt) formats, may be submitted to: comments-pacificsouthwest-plumas-mthugh@fs.fed.us with Subject: Moonlight Fire

Area Invasive Plant Treatment Project. Names of commenters will be part of the public record subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

For additional information, John Slown, email: jslown@fs.fed.us phone 406-329-3749.